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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 20, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.